Visas F-1

The F-1 visa is for students wishing to attend academic colleges or universities that grant degrees accredited degree, master's or doctorate degree; arts schools; seminars or conservatories; private primary or secondary; preparatory; language school, or other professions that educated in one or more of these disciplines. The F-1 visa is for vocational students who wish to attend a college or preparatory offers vocational or technical studies and that gives a title.

For information regarding study opportunities, programs study, scholarships, financial aid, admission tests in the United States, <u>Education USA</u> y <u>Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs</u>.

There are some restrictions for <u>public schools</u> in the United States:

To obtain a student visa you must:

 Be admitted to a program of any school accredited by the United States government, presenting as evidence the I-20 signed by any official authority from the school as well as the electronic SEVIS number that is assigned to each student. The I-20 must have a bar code for electronic verification. You may not apply for a student without the I-20.

It is recommended to apply for a student visa in advance because of the time required to process visa. Students applying for a visa for the first time F-1 (academic student), F-2 (spouse or child of F-1), can handle your visa up to 120 days before the date of commencement of their academic program contemplated in the I-20. These changes apply only to students entering the United States for the first time. The regular students can apply at any time a new visa F, as long as they have maintained their student status and registration SEVIS force. However, students may use first entry visa until thirty (30) days prior to the start of the course. Students with F-1 visa can stay up to sixty (60) days after completion of the program of study.

Useful links on the Internet for students:

<u>Information schools and students</u>

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Schools approved